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SUBJ: CUSTOMS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT EVALUATION

REF: A. STATE 178547  
B. BANGKOK 20880

1. WE GENERALLY CONCUR WITH SUGGESTIONS CONTAINED REFTTEL A., AND  
OFFER COMMENTS ON APPROPRIATE MEANS FOR IMPLEMENTING THEM.

2. REF A PARA 2, SUGGESTION REGARDING MARINE OPERATIONS PLAN IS  
WELL TAKEN.  
PLAN HAS ALREADY BEEN DEVELOPED BY RTG CUSTOMS, AND WAS  
SUBMITTED TO USOM ON JUL 20. MISSION IS NOW PROCEEDING WITH  
ITS REVIEW. AS SUGGESTED, VIEWS AND COMMENTS OF THAI MARINE POLICE  
ARE BEING SOLICITED DURING THIS REVIEW. EVALUATION TEAM WILL ALSO  
BE REQUESTED TO COMMENT ON OPERATIONS PLAN.

3. PER REF A PARA 3, WE AGREE THAT DEA AND AID ADVISORS TO TNPD  
SHOULD HAVE A ROLE IN SUBJECT EVALUATION. WE PROPOSE TO USE DEA  
AND AID ADVISORS AS RESOURCE PEOPLE DURING EVALUATION TO CALL ON  
THEIR INSIGHTS AND EXPERTISE, NOT AS FORMAL MEMBERS OF EVALUATION  
TEAM. THEIR COMMENTS WILL BE INCLUDED IN EVALUATION REPORT.

4. PER REF A PARA 4, WE AGREE THAT EFFECTIVENESS OF NARCOTICS  
SUPPRESSION EFFORTS ALONG THAILAND'S LAND BORDERS SHOULD BE  
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SUBJ OF EVALUATION. HOWEVER, RTG CUSTOMS PLAYS NO ACTIVE

NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION ROLE IN BORDER AREAS, WHILE BPP HAS MAJOR RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS FUNCTION AND HAS SUBSTANTIAL RESOURCES COMMITTED TO IT. WE THEREFORE PROPOSE THAT EVALUATION OF TNPd NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT (PHASE THREE OF PLANNED NARCOTICS PROGRAM EVALUATIONS) IS MORE APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY FOR EVALUATING TOTAL NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION EFFORTS IN BORDER AREAS.

5. WITH REGARD TO PARA 6 OF REF A, EMBASSY INQUIRIES INTO HANDLING AND DISPOSITION OF SEIZED NARCOTICS ARE REPORTED IN REF B. IN VIEW OF EMBASSY'S CONTINUING EFFORTS WE BELIEVE IT SHOULD NOT BE ADDRESSED IN SUBJ EVALUATION, EXCEPT FOR MANNER IN WHICH RTG CUSTOMS DISPOSES OF NARCOTICS THEY SEIZE. WE PROPOSE THAT IT ALSO BE COVERED FULLY IN TNPd ENFORCEMENT PHASE OF NARCOTICS PROGRAM EVALUATION.

6. WOULD APPRECIATE COMMENTS ON ABOVE PROPOSALS. IN THE MEANTIME, WE SHALL PROCEED WITH PLANNING WITH THE RTG FOR THIS EVALUATION. WHITEHOUSE

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